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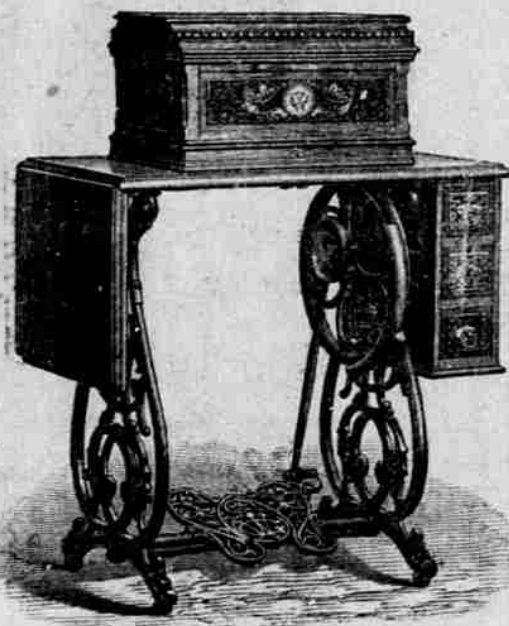
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A Rumor That is Current Both in Paris and Berlin.

PARIS, Jan. 4.—Le Journal reports under reserve the death of Count von Waldersee, the rumor being that he was killed by an officer of the allied troops, the circumstances not being related. It is said that the rumor is current in Berlin, where it is not confirmed.

PEKING, Jan. 3.—At a meeting of the foreign ministers today it was announced that Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching were preparing to sign an agreement as soon as it is ready for signature. Li Hung Chang desires to conduct the peace negotiations to a conclusion and the physicians attending him think he might be taken to the Spanish legation, where the conferences have been held, if the weather is favorable. The Germans are reported to be returning to Sanho with a number of prisoners.

The punitive expeditions of the powers, prove to have been simply looting parties. Lieutenant Colonel Wint of the Sixth Cavalry met the Germans at Tanghai, where the latter had taxed the villagers 4,000 taels (\$2,700) and one hundred pony-loads of furs as punishment for the alleged murder of imaginary Christians. He had express orders from General Chaffee to co-operate with the Germans, but withdrew. The ulterior motive and object of the Germans in reducing the province to a desert, and in destroying the last vestiges of Chinese authority is apparent, but why the American forces should be supposed to assist in the work is not clear.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 3.—The Chinese newspaper, Chung Wei Hei Ao, makes the following statement: "The imperial rescript accepting the peace conditions instructs the Chinese commissioners, when discussing points not specified, to gain as many concessions as possible. The conditions involve two hundred debatable questions."

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## FLURRY IN THE HOUSE

A Result of the Systematic Effort in the South to Intimidate Negroes.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The radical element among the House Republicans who favor cutting down the representation from the southern states in which franchise is abridged suffered defeat today because a number of their colleagues refused to act with them. The issue was precipitated quite unexpectedly. The leaders had decreed that the reapportionment bill should be taken up today but before it could be called Mr. Olmstead of Pennsylvania offered as a matter of privilege a resolution reciting the alleged abridgement of the suffrage in Louisiana, Mississippi, South Carolina and North Carolina and directing the Committee on Census to investigate and report the facts to the House in order that a constitutional basis of representation could be established for those states. The resolution created a sensation. It was a surprise even to several of the Republican leaders. The leaders of the Democratic side sought in vain to head off the resolution with points of order but the speaker ruled against them. They began a filibuster, avowing that they would fight every proposition looking to the reduction of representation from the southern states to the bitter end. Several of the Republicans were secretly in sympathy with them and the indifference to the fate of the Olmstead resolution in the end gave the opposition the victory of today. Many of them quietly paired with absence Democrats, leaving their absent colleagues unpaired. As a result, when the question of consideration was raised against the resolution, it was defeated, 81-83. The vote was a strict party one. Two Republicans—Landis of Indiana and Mann of Illinois—answered present but did not vote. The story of the defeat is found in the absences on both sides who were unpaired. Thirty-two Republicans were absent and unpaired, against sixteen of the opposition. Those absent and unpaired were:

Republicans—Boutelle, Maine; Brooks, Brown, Burkett, Calderhead, Clark, New Hampshire; Dahle, Samuel Davenport, Dick, Fowler, Gardiner, New Jersey; Hawley, Hoffecker, Knox, Lorimer, Loudenslager, McCleary, Metcalf, Miller, Mondell, Morgan, Needham, Otjen, Parker, Prince, Russell, Shaw, Smith, of Illinois; Sprague, Stevens, Mann, Wadsworth and Wagner.

Democrats—Barber, Pennsylvania; Bradley, New York; Brewer, Caldwell, Catchings, Gaston, Gayle, Glenn, Levy, May, Meekins, Shepard, Stallings, Wilson, of South Carolina and Zeigler. Silver Republicans—Wilson of Idaho. The situation with reference to the reapportionment bill is greatly complicated as a result of the injection of the Olmstead resolution. Chairman Hopkins, however, is confident of victory for his bill. He thinks the Olmstead resolution may pass in a full House and investigation may be made but that the matter will end there. Irrespective of the fact of the resolution, however, he will press the reapportionment bill and thinks it will pass on Monday. If possible he will displace private bill day tomorrow with his measure.

## MORE FIGHTING IN CAPE COLONY

General Kitchener Needs More Mounted Men to Repel the Boers.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—There is an unconfirmed report from Cape Town that fighting has occurred eighty miles north of Matjesfontein.

A Cape Town special says: General Kitchener has sent a dispatch to General Forester-Walker, in command of the British forces at Cape Town, saying: "I am glad to hear of the Ministers' action. Give them all the assistance in your power. Use trains to get these colonists south of the enemy. Ask the Premier to inform me if I can help in any way. Inform him that the enemy are few but very mobile. Well mounted men are most required to surround them or drive them north."

The action of the Ministers of Cape Colony referred to by General Kitchener is the calling on the loyalists to assist the military by the formation of a paid defense force.

A station master of the Fraserburg road has seized a number of cases marked "condensed milk" addressed to Fraserburg which contained 3,000 split bullets, 500 detonators and 150 pounds of dynamite.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—Advices from Cape Town this morning are more hopeful, owing to the active recruiting of local forces in all quarters, and a better feeling prevails in London, based upon the prospect of Lord Roberts taking the reins at the War Office.

From Sydney, N. S. W., it is reported that there is quite a rush of men there anxious to join the new contingents, 5,000 having volunteered. The report of Lord Kitchener's conference with the burghers also tends to remove anxiety. According to the Daily Express, Lord Kitchener has warned the mine-owners that they must not count upon military protection.

## Pettigrew Wants to Know.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Mr. Pettigrew today introduced a resolution calling upon the President to send to the Senate "copies of all instructions sent to the officers of the Government in the Philippines since May 1, 1898, and of all orders issued by officers of the Government in the Philippines in relation to the conduct of the war and in relation to the government of that country."

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